

Remarks

By this amendment, claims 2-5, 8, 9, 42 and 43 are amended to depend from allowed claim 11, and claims 1, 6, 7, 10 and 12-41 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. After entry of this amendment, claims 2-5, 8, 9, 11, 42 and 43 will be pending.

Applicants appreciate the indication that claim 11 is allowed. As indicated, several of the dependent claims have been amended to depend from claim 11 and thus are also believed to be in condition for immediate allowance.

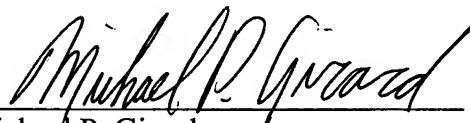
Claims 1, 6, 7, 10 and 12-41 are cancelled to expedite prosecution and for economic reasons. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the canceled claims and other similar claims in a separate application.

Based on the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims are directed to allowable subject matter and that the application is in condition for immediate allowance. Should the Examiner believe that anything further is necessary to place this application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact Applicants' representative by telephone.

Respectfully submitted,

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